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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Jason David Evans, et al.

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For: TUBING CONNECTION
ARRANGEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED DECEMBER 22, 2004

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 22, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 22, 2005, please enter the following response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in conjunction with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/CRUI/0026WBP for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.